(a) whether Government is considering a proposal to raise FDI ceiling in the print media, from 26 per cent to 49 per cent, as recommended by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI);

(b) if so, the details of the TRAI recommendations in this regard and Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether Government has held any talks with the stakeholders, before arriving at a final decision on these recommendations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CHOUDHURY MOHAN JATUA): (a) The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has not made any recommendation for raising FDI ceiling in the print media from 26 per cent to 49 per cent.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

**Blacklisting of production companies**

1692. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY:
SHRI NANDAMURI HARIKRISHNA:
Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Doordarshan had blacklisted 13 production companies for cheating, under Short-Term Acquisition Scheme 2006-07;

(b) if so, the details of the companies and the reasons for blacklisting them; and

(c) what legal course of action is to be taken by DD against the cheating production companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CHOUDHURY MOHAN JATUA): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. Details of the Black listed Production Companies are given in the Statement (*See* below). These were blacklisted by Doordarshan for submitting Blank/Repeat Tapes under Short-Term Acquisition Scheme 2006-07 to meet the deadline for submission of remaining episodes of the recommended programmes.

(c) Prasar Bharati has informed that they have banned these production companies for a period of 2 years from any further dealing with Doordarshan, since April, 2009.

*List of Production Companies Blacklisted*

| Sl. No. | Producer/Banner |
|---|---|
| 1 | 2 |
| 1 | Sh. P.K. Srivastava<br>M/s Rainbow Films,<br>B-37, Soami Nagar,<br>New Delhi-110 017 |

| 1 | 2 |
|---|---|
| 2 | Ms. Madhu Rane<br>M/s Matrix Entertainment,<br>J-48, Pandav Nagar, Opp. Main Mother Dairy<br>Delhi-110 092 |
| 3 | S/Sh. Talat Syed & Javed Khan<br>M/s Magick Works, Block No. B,<br>Flat No. 6, Versova Heaven,<br>J.P. Road, Seven Bungalow,<br>Andheri(W) Mumbai-400 063 |
| 4 | Sh. Deepak Bhardwaj<br>M/s Vaishnu Films, D-899,<br>Ground Floorm Type-A, Pocket-IIIrd,<br>E.H.S. Bindapur, DDA Flats,<br>Dwarka Project, New Delhi-110059 |
| 5 | Ms. Rama Deepak<br>M/s Tirupati Production,<br>E-98, Kamla Nagar, Delhi-110007 |
| 6 | Sh. Sandeep Grover<br>M/s Shrey Media Enterainments,<br>A-2/49, Aashirwad Apartments,<br>Pachim Vihar, New Delhi-63 |
| 7 | Ms. Rama Pandey<br>M/s Montage Films, 332,<br>3rd Floor DLF Gallaria, DLF City,<br>Phase-IV Gurgaon-122 002 |
| 8 | Sh. Sudhir S. Jamwal<br>M/s Astra Productions,<br>151-F Doordarshan Lane,<br>Old Jainpur, Jammu (J&K) |
| 9 | Sh. Kiraj Kumar<br>M/s Touchstone Communications,<br>JE-31, Khirki Extension,<br>Malviya Nagar, New Delhi-110 017 |
| 10 | Sh. Usman Saif<br>M/s Saif Entertainment,<br>C-1, 32, Sandoipani Teachers Apt. Oshiwara.<br>New Link Road, Jogeshwari(W),<br>Mumbai-400102 |
| 11 | Sh. Nandan Sharma<br>M/s Meghna U-Matic Vision,<br>138, Maitri Apartments. IP Extension,<br>Patparganj Delhi-110 092 |

| 1 | 2 |
|---|---|
| 12 | Ms. Anuradha Prasad.<br>M/s BAG Film & Media Limited,<br>FC-23, Sector-16A, Film City,<br>Nodia-201 301 |
| 13 | Sh. Aman Bajaj<br>M/s Bajaj Animation Kendra,<br>A-5, Mayapuri, Phase-I, New Delhi |

**Regulation of electronic media in emergent situations**

1693. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has ruled out imposition of any regulatory mechanism on electronic media, in the wake of 26/11 like emergency situations;

(b) whether the Ministry considers self regulation as the only way to tackle such emergencies;

(c) whether the Ministry plans to set up a group of official spokespersons, headed by the Ministry, that can provide accurate information with media in news emergency situations;

(d) if so, what other proposals Government is considering to bring legislation in regulating electronic media; and

(e) whether the Ministry is also considering to have a five year tax break for digital TV services?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CHOUDHURY MOHAN JATUA): (a) and (b) The Committee constituted for reviewing the Content Code has submitted its report to the Government in the form of draft 'Self Regulation Guidelines for the broadcasting sector (2008)'. Meanwhile, in the wake of 26/11, News Broadcasters Association representing 31 main private news channels, has come out with its self regulation guidelines for telecast of news during emergency situations.

(c) The officers of the Press Information Bureau(PIB), the official news agency of the Government functions as official spokespersons of the Central Ministries and Departments at New Delhi. However, a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) is under consultation for facilitating the media on such occasions.

(d) The Government is consulting stakeholders on the proposed Draft Broadcasting Service Regulation Bill.

(e) No, Sir.